AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A method of preparing a message in an electronic communication device, the method comprising

providing, via a display of the electronic communication device, a set of message types that can be selected by a user in an editor common for all message types of a plurality of message types;

detecting, via a control unit of the electronic communication device, a user selection of a particular message type of the plurality of message types, where the particular message type is a message type other than a Short Message Service (SMS) message type;

receiving the message in the editor; [[and]]

~~changing~~ selecting, via the control unit, a transmission format for the message in dependence of the user selection, where the message is received in advance of the changing the transmission format; and

outputting, from the electronic communication device, the message using the selected transmission format.

2. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 1, further comprising displaying the message on an information presentation unit in a format corresponding with the selected message type.

3. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 1, where a first user input unit allows actuation for and scrolling in a first direction and a second opposite direction, where detection of a selection by an actuation and confirmation of the first user input unit for one direction provides selection of a message type and the detection of the selection provides changing the transmission format.

4. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 1, further comprising saving the message.

5. (Canceled herein)

6. (Original) Device for preparing a message in an electronic communication device comprising:

a message type selection unit providing a set of message types that can be selected by a user,

a first user input unit, for allowing message type selection by the user, and

a control unit arranged to:

provide the set of items of message types that can be selected by a user in an editor having a format common for all message types,

detect a message selection by a user via said first user input unit,

change a transmission format in dependence of the selections made by the user which provides preparing and saving a message in advance of deciding final message type for transmission or saving thereof.

7. (Previously presented) Device according to claim 6, where the first user input unit allows actuation for and scrolling in a first direction and a second opposite direction, and a second user input unit is to confirm a selection, where the detection of a selection by an actuation of the first user input unit for one direction to an item and confirmation by the second user input unit provides selection of a message type and the detection of a selection provides changing the transmission format in dependence of the selections made by the user.

8. (Previously presented) Device according to claim 6, where the control unit is to change the appearance on an information presentation unit in dependence of the selections made by the user.

9. (Previously presented) Device according to claim 6, further comprising a user selectable store to store a message, where the control unit is further to save a message in the store in a general format.

10. (Previously presented) Device according to claim 9, where the control unit is to automatically save the message in the store.

11. (Previously presented) Device according to claim 6, where the control unit is to upload the message to a predefined web address.

12. (Previously presented) Device according to claim 6, where the control unit is to upload the message to a web address using an automated log-in.

13. (Previously presented) Device according to claim 6, where the control unit is to upload the message to a web address without using an automated log-in.

14. (Previously presented) Device according to claim 6, where tools not relevant to a selected message format are displayed on a display of the electronic communication device but are not user selectable so that a user can continue to edit in the selected message format only.

15. (Previously presented) Device according to claim 6, where the device is a portable electronic communication device.

16. (Previously presented) Device according to claim 15, where the device includes at least one of a cellular phone, a PDA, or a smart-phone.

17. (Currently amended) The method according to claim 1, where the particular ~~set of~~ message type ~~types~~ comprises at least one of ~~a Short Message Service (SMS) message,~~ an Enhanced Message Service (EMS) message, a Multimedia Message Service (MMS) message, an electronic mail (e-mail) with attachment, an e-mail without attachment, or a blog message.

18. (Previously presented) A method comprising:

at a display of a communication device, displaying a message editor without requiring selection of a message type;

via a first input unit of the communication device, receiving a message at the message editor;

after receiving the message, displaying, at the display of the communication device, a plurality of selectable candidate message types for the message;

receiving, via a second input unit of the communication device, a selection of a particular message type; and

assigning the selected particular message type to the received message.

19. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 18, where the plurality of selectable candidate message types are displayed in a scrollable menu.

20. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 18, further comprising transmitting the message from the communication device in a transmission format based on the selected particular message type.

21. (New) The method according to claim 1, where the plurality of message types includes an SMS message type.